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# Keeping families intact is always what's best

## **Statement of Alderwoman Chantia Lewis** June 21, 2018

As a mother, I am disgusted and saddened about the way this situation has been handled by this administration. To lock children in cages after ripping them from their parents is simply child abuse and a throwback to a Dickensian tale from the 1800s.

This is not the first time in American history that children have been torn from their families. It wasn't right then and it isn't right now.

Though it is encouraging that the President has decided to retreat from his order, he still hasn't clearly shown how he plans to reunite these broken families. I call upon the President to completely fix this mess rather than patting himself on the back for starting to clean up a mess he created.



